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The Hawk's Eye



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New Student Services building underway

Colleen Meagher
Staff Writer

Student services at RWU will have a new home as of next year. In the fall of last year, President Anthony Santoro suggested a building that would accommodate all of the university's student services. This began the planning of the Student Life building. Once completed, the building will house the Dean of Students Office, Career Services, Minority Affairs, the Co-op Program, Student Life, Health Services and the Counseling Center.

As it is presently scheduled, the building is due to be completed in January of 1995. Currently, to begin excavation of the site, the analysis of soil and ledge depth is being compiled for the building site across from Cedar Hall. The building was designed by the architecture firm of Robinson, Green and Beretta and the interior design firm of Peter Wooding.

Dean of Students Karen Haskell said, "President Santoro proposed the building for two different reasons, to solve two different problems. In touring the campus, the president discovered how far apart student services were spread. He thought it would be a great idea to construct a building to bring them together. This building will also provide more dorm rooms in Maple Hall, helping to avoid the possibility of emergency triples next fall."

Since this building is designed for students, the architects and interior designers set out to make it

suited to students' needs. Haskell commented, "We are trying our best to make the building a warm and welcoming place, definitely student-friendly. To give each department an opportunity to provide the best possible service to students, each department worked closely with the architects and interior designers to create the type of working environment that would be best for their needs. This is one of the reasons why we are so excited about the building."

The Student Life building will be a two story building carved into a hill. This plan will allow handicap accessibility on both levels. Each floor will consist of two wings. On the first floor will be the Dean of Students Office, Career Services, Co-op, Multicultural Affairs, and the Department of Student Life. On the second floor will be Counseling Services and Health Services. The wings will be connected by a central lobby with a two story atrium. "We are trying to make the entry space welcoming with couches, newspapers and magazines, again to make students feel more comfortable here," Haskell said.

Gaining more space was not the major design consideration of the planning process. "There's about 12,500 square feet of space available," Haskell said, "This probably will not be more than what all the student services have now. For example, my new office will be only

half the size of my current one. However, just the fact that all student services will be together will be an improvement regardless of space concerns."

Another positive outcome of the Student Life building will be the ease with which students will be able to use the services provided for them.

Haskell commented, "With this building, students will be able to come in and take advantage of all these services without having to walk all over campus. For staff too this change is important because now, we can make referrals much easier, and much more personal than we have been able to in the past."

Over the summer and fall, trailers will be set up to house these services until construction is completed. This will allow the vacated offices to be used as dorm rooms. Health Services will become the new security center.

In addition to the Dean of Students, each director of the departments seemed to express excitement towards their new offices. Director of Health Services, Lois Schuyler, commented, "We're really pleased to be moving. The trailers that we are in right now were not

designed to be a health center. For example, we have to store our biomedical waste in an exam room. When there is a doctor on duty there isn't enough exam rooms for all of us

to work at once." She spoke very enthusiastically about the new building, "The openness of the design process was great, we appreciate it. We had the opportunity to give input as to our

needs as a health center. In the new building, we will have more rooms and be able to give students more privacy. Hopefully, students will feel more secure about coming to Health Services." Schuyler also echoed Haskell's comment, "Referrals will be much easier once we are all together."

Frances Katzanek, director of Career Services expressed mixed feelings about moving, but in the end she feels it will be a very positive experience. "Personally, I know I am going to miss the view of the bay from my office. However, it is going to be great to be so close to all the other services on campus." She also showed some concern over the

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'We are trying our best to make the building a warm and welcoming place, definitely student-friendly.'

*Karen Haskell,
Dean of Students*

Student Senator makes a change

Danielle Cushion
Staff Writer

Do you remember freshman year when you were bombarded by other freshmen who were running for class or Student Senate positions? Well, incoming freshmen may not have to worry about being coerced into voting for people they don't even know. A new bylaw was passed Monday, March 7, by freshman Senator Deana Vitkevich which will change the way freshmen elections are being held. "I felt I had to bring this to everybody's attention so that the new individuals will feel like they belong," said Vitkevich.

When Deana ran for Student Senate, all that was required was 50 signatures from anybody. Pretty easy, huh? What bothered Deana the most about how she was elected

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Photo by Gillian Flynn



Spring Fever!

Rob Kolek, a sophomore, takes advantage of the long awaited warm weather this weekend.

Undergraduates: "Grow Up!"

I am writing in response to the article written about the resentment toward the Law School students in the March 1 issue of The Hawk's Eye. There are two words that I feel would fully express my opinion on this subject, GROW UP!!

I'm not really sure why an undergraduate would want to study in the Law library at all. It's filled with law journals that are of no use to most of us, except paralegal majors who may need them for special research. The truth is that anyone is allowed in the law library, but if you are not a law student they just want to make sure that you are really there to work. Let's face it what undergraduate really wants to go into a library where they know absolutely no one and have to be silent. Is it the library we want or are we just pouting because they prefer us not to use it?

What I find even more disturbing is the fact that undergraduates have the nerve to complain about the Law School building itself. When I first entered the Law School all that I could think was WOW it's an honor to have this building on our campus. The inside of the building is gorgeous as it should be. What better way to celebrate not only the universities first graduate school, but also the states first Law School. Comparing the Law School building built in 1993 to the other buildings built over twenty years ago makes no sense. After twenty years of wear I'm sure the Law School won't be nice and shiny anymore either.

I use the same classroom buildings as the rest of you do and I have never seen the floors covered with cigarette wrappers and gum, nor have I ever seen students even taking the time to look at the condition of the floors. Come on kids let's not start making up things in order to get our way, we are in college, aren't we? What I wonder is if any of you who are complaining about all of these "dirty, old" buildings on campus, have ever noticed our new library, newly remodeled Business building, and the fairly new Architecture building. All of these buildings are in my opinion beautiful and very clean, so what are we complaining about?

As far as the housing situation goes it isn't the Law student's fault where they were given housing,

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In defense of the undergraduates: letters in response to the Dean of the Law School

Dear John,

"I do not know how law students spend their free time. But law students cannot party for 14 weeks and cram in the 15th week." "Undergraduates use the library as a playground." These are quotes by Law School Dean John Ryan from the March 1st edition of the Hawk's Eye.

These statements directed at undergraduates at RWU offend me because I am a very hard working student in architecture. I should think students not involved in the school of architecture who devote a great deal of their time to their studies are even more offended by Ryan's remarks.

I am not overly enraged by Ryan's remarks because it is known by most, that devoted students of architecture spend 30-40 hours a week in the design studio and days without sleep when finishing a project. However, there are undergraduate students of

other majors who are as devoted to their work as we architects.

There are certain students at this University that spend many of their hours on chemically induced voyages with little concern for classes. However, John Ryan's statements about the undergraduates as a whole is falsely overstated. It is unfair to students who do not receive acclaim for the hours of work they dedicate to their major.

The issue of Ryan wanting the school segregated from the rest of us morons is near bigotry. It seems as though he is afraid of stupid people coming into his library and lowering the degree of intelligence.

If this elitist didn't make such an ordeal about not wanting undergraduates in the library none would have had interest. Now students want to prove that they should be allowed in the

school they paid for. Personally, I feel I should be allowed in the Law Building, certainly not because I want to explore it's wonderful architectural traits, but because I should be allowed to.

As I ponder this issue I actually am rather happy to be disassociated with the building. Aesthetically the building makes my stomach churn. It is an embarrassment to have such a structure next to a nationally accredited school of architecture and as much of an embarrassment to have a newly constructed graduate program kick dirt in the face of the people who put it there.

If Law School Dean John Ryan wishes to be segregated than my suggestion to President Santoro is to have an air canopy constructed over the Law School and designate it as Route 136 University School of Law.

Benedict O'Meara

Dear Dean Ryan
and your class of
"angels",

I am writing in response to the article written in the previous Hawk's Eye dealing with the law school and respond mainly toward Dean Ryan's comments.

One quote of his is "I do not know how law students spend their free time. But law students cannot party for 14 weeks and cram in the 15th week." First of all, who does party all but the last week, then cram and actually do well? Personally, last semester I achieved a 3.0 and, although not the greatest GPA it is better than my average. I still managed to go out socially almost every night—ask anyone who knows me. Going out came after working 20 hours a week, being in the library many nights until closing (I went out from 12-1 then returned to study more), and being an active member of

the Junior Class Advisory Board, the Yearbook, and the Administration of Justice Club, along with taking 5 classes. This semester I have the same basic agenda and, since I moved off campus, spend an average of 12 hours per day on campus. I also do not know if Dean Ryan's law students are the saints they seem to be, seeing as I tend to see many of them out at the places I frequent.

Another comment to which I take offense to is "Undergraduates use the library as a playground." At least have the courtesy to say 'some undergraduates' instead of pooling everyone together. I go to the library to study and do work. Yes, I will stop and talk if I happen to see someone I know, but I highly doubt that would be classified as playground mannerism. I have also had the 'rare' opportunity to be in the law library and see two law students sitting together

and...oh my God...they were laughing, not working. Granted, many students in the main library do walk around and are loud, but please do not classify us all together and do not think you have all model students.

Lastly, I would like to comment on the attitudes of some of the law students that I have come in contact with and those referred to in the previous article. In response to the student who said, "I'm a law student" and expected not to pay a cover charge at a bar for a senior event—DO NOT GO! As for the student who said, "Well, I'm a law student, and I have privileges,"—really, who do you think you are and what makes you so special?

My comments are not directed to all law students—I have actually enjoyed seeing some of them when I have been out, I also look forward to challenging them again at pool.

Patti Gardner

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Commentary on the segregation accusations at the Law School

We are writing in response to the recent article in *The Hawk's Eye* concerning the problems between the Law School and the main university. It appears that these problems have been exacerbated by comments made by John Ryan, Dean of the Law School.

Whether intentional or not, Dean Ryan's comments, seem to imply that all undergraduate students party excessively and fail to take their education seriously. By stereotyping all of the undergraduates in this manner, Dean Ryan has helped to intensify an already negative situation. As Dean Ryan suggests, some students do "party for 14 weeks and cram in the 15th week," however their grades will reflect this. Most dedicated students do not act in this fashion. Not only does this comment directly insult undergraduate study habits, it also implies that Roger Williams'

professors allow students to pass courses with little or no effort. While some programs of study may seem less demanding than others, in actuality, each program is as demanding as the individual student chooses to make it. University level studies are serious; and, in the quest for knowledge, most undergraduates treat them as such.

Some unavoidable separation between law students and the rest of the student body is always going to exist because of location and situation. But, there is one common bond, we are all students and we are all subject to the same pressures that university level studies demand. Generally, students who do not want an education usually end up leaving the university or failing out. For those who try, they have to struggle just as hard as everyone else to work through their education. It does not matter how old a student is, or how difficult his or her field of study may be, the fact remains that one has to be dedicated in order to achieve a high level of education in any program, graduate or otherwise.

The other issue we would like to address is accessibility of the law library to undergraduate students. By restricting undergraduate access to the law library, the problem of segregation has been increased and the ability to access information has

been hampered. Some students may have caused problems in the law library. Some students have caused problems elsewhere on campus. The fact remains that problems or not, the entire university is open to all with the exception of the law library. As a part of this institution, the law library should be operated with the same standards that apply to the entire university. The restriction placed on all undergraduates of having to obtain permission to enter the law library is as severe as preventing a minor head-ache by severing the head. A positive approach to the problem of disruptions at the library, would be to have the library open to all and to deal with any problems when and if they arise.

By saying "Undergraduates use the library as a playground," Dean Ryan seems to imply that undergraduates lack the maturity to

handle and respect a quiet learning environment. This is not a fair assumption and we feel that it degrades the entire undergraduate body. In terms of the law library, undergraduates who do not need to

utilize its resources will probably not do so. Some undergraduates, however, do need to use the law library due to certain inadequacies in the main library's legal resource section. Those students who need further legal resources would benefit greatly by the ability to use the law library without any restriction.

The problems that exist between the Law School and the undergraduate student body will only exist as long as we allow them to. If the administration and the student body work together, a solution to this problem could be reached.

Jonathan Francis -
Paralegal Studies Major
William F. Bowman Jr. -
English/History Major

"...one has to be dedicated in order to achieve a high level of education in any program, graduate or otherwise."

Excellence in Teaching award nomination/reference form

The Excellence in Teaching award is sponsored by the Roger Williams University chapter of Alpha Chi national honor society. The purpose of this award is to focus on the importance of teacher competence as a critical element in strengthening undergraduate education. Alpha Chi welcomes the opportunity to recognize faculty members who excel at teaching and who devote much time and energy to students at the University, both in and outside the classroom.

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COMMENTS: Please give a brief explanation of why you are nominating this person for the Outstanding Teacher Award.

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Consolidation of Student Services serves RWU better

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temporary move to trailers in the fall. "I'm not sure of the accessibility our resource library will have once we are in the trailers. Once we are in the new building and have adjusted to it, I'm certain our office will be better able to serve the students."

Director of the Counseling Center, Jim Azar, says the center is very excited about moving. "We're excited for a few reasons, first because every service will be in the same building and secondly because of this, we will be able to refer students and handle referrals in a more personal manner, face to face. I think this will be great for staff too. The building's environment will be much more professional, we will be able to develop a better working relationship with the staff of the other student services because we will all be so close together." Azar expresses positive comments about the design of their offices. "Confidentiality was a major concern for us, as was lighting and furniture for our offices, to make students feel more comfortable. We were able to work with the architects and address these concerns. We feel this is important to help serve the students better."

One Senator makes a difference

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was that most everyone who signed her petition didn't know her goals or hopes. There was no chance given to them in a forum-type setting where she and the others could speak and have discussions with the students.

Some of the changes that Vitkevich got passed involves freshmen orientation. There, Senate will have a table, along with the clubs and organizations. She hopes this will generate more interest early on. This year, only three freshmen including Vitkevich ran for Senate and were elected.

The election forms that the potential freshmen senators need signatures for can only be signed by other freshmen now. Vitkevich feels that this will increase the amount of freshmen involvement, and let the freshmen know who their representatives are.

What really got her to make these changes was how she and the others were just thrown into the Senate. "I didn't feel welcome when I first came into the Senate. I felt like I didn't belong," Vitkevich said. It wasn't until second semester

when everyone went on the retreat that she actually got to know everybody. Well, that's going to change too. Next year, there will be two informal meetings before the induction ceremony so that the senior officers and new members can get to know one another.

Vitkevich's proposal passed Monday night with great ease. It took a freshman's experience with the situation to get the others to realize what was going on, and a dedicated, very ambitious Deana Vitkevich to change it.

Help Wanted: Hall Director position open at end of semester

Mike Gleason
Staff Writer

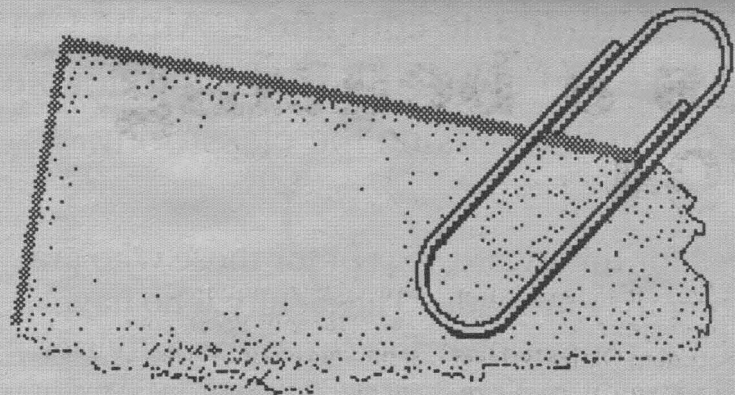
Huy Le, Hall Director of Maple Hall, will be leaving Roger Williams at the end of the semester after two years of service. Le decided to leave because he is "trying to get into a Ph.D. program in Forensic Science at a university where I won't have to commute," stated Le.

The Department of Student Life is presently collecting resumes in order to fill his shoes by the next academic year. This is the second vacancy that the department has to deal with after the mid-winter resignation of former Director of Student Life Marc Capozza.

Phil Hamel, assistant director of Student Life and head of the search committee for a new H.D., is preparing to interview the candidates later in the spring. Hamel said that they will start the interviewing process after the application closing date in mid April. At the time of the closing date the Student Life department

will have an official number of applicants to work with. Although, Associate Director Jane Forsberg estimated that "we (Student Life) will have several hundred resumes by the time we narrow down who is getting interviewed."

Hamel said that Student Life will be doing over the phone interviews and in-person interviews at the national conferences that the department has been attending. The final candidates will be interviewed on campus. They are hoping to have a replacement by the first of July, although some H.D.s have started as late as mid July in the past.



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What a winter!

Campus departments suffer from snow

Geoff Ayoub
Contributing writer

On February 8, the men's volleyball team will play a home match versus Dartmouth at...correction, that match has been postponed due to bad weather. This Wednesday, the hockey team will play...we're sorry, but the hockey game has been canceled due to the storm. The men and women's basketball teams see action tonight against...unfortunately, tonight's basketball games have been postponed because of bad road conditions. The speaker tonight is critically acclaimed writer...tonight's speaker has been canceled because of flight problems due to snow.

The preceeding was a common occurrence this winter at RWU. Buses were unable to travel due to icy roads. Planes for out-of-town speakers were unable to takeoff or land because of runway problems or poor visibility. Many events, mainly athletics, were postponed or canceled due to the weather that has plagued us for the last two months.

With the spring sports season upon us, teams such as lacrosse, tennis, baseball and others need time to

practice. However, the postponement of volleyball and basketball games have led some teams, whose seasons would normally be over, to use the gym for practice, therefore cutting into the time of others.

Other than game cancelations and postponements, "the biggest effect the weather has had on us is the overlapping of winter sports with spring sports," says RWU Athletic Director William Baird. "Everyone wants to practice. Usually teams would go out to the fields or North Campus, but obviously that can't happen. We're having a problem with that."

One department that may be more affected as the year goes on is Student Activities. They have postponed two speakers due to the weather and rescheduled them for spring, which is their busy season.

The most significant event canceled was the annual Valentine's Day semi-formal. "We didn't want students driving there through the snow and then driving back," said Tony Ferreira, Coordinator of Student Activities. "We couldn't have a Valentine's Day semi-formal after Valentine's Day, so it was canceled." The money that was to be used for the event will go toward next year. Said

Ferreira, "Our prime concern is for student safety."

Fortunately, the events that have taken place were as successful as they have ever been. The first RATT of the semester, (an event held for seniors; it has a pub-like atmosphere and serves alcohol) held in 'That Place', drew one of its biggest turnouts in two years. Other events held there, such as Monday Night at the Movies and Thursday Night at the Movies have also done well.

Perhaps the department that has been hardest hit is Facilities Management. It oversees all campus maintenance and has been swamped with extra shoveling, plowing and sanding due to the recent storms.

"It's one of the worst winters I've seen in my eight years here," says Facilities Management Director Matthew White. "It has really affected us adversely."

The weather has caused, among other things, an increase in gas and oil consumption, a significant amount of overtime pay given, and the purchasing of extra sand for parking lots and walkways. "Normally, we would spend about \$1,000 on sand during the winter," says White, "but this year we've already spent around \$2000."

"In January, we also had many

problems with broken pipes and water damage. During that time, we spent about \$5,000 on labor alone. The additional costs may prevent us from buying something we might need until next year, but we'll survive."

To make driving on and off campus easier, students have been asked on occasion to move their cars off campus so that plowing can be done. White says that the students have been cooperating admirably. "I'm extremely pleased. They've helped us a lot."

On top of all the hard work they are doing, custodians sometimes help students shovel out their cars. "I want to thank Physical Plant," said White. "They have put in many long hours and have done an excellent job."

Despite the severe weather, RWU does not look any worse for the wear. The campus may have had mountainous snow banks, but they will soon be all gone, making way for the warmer months ahead.

As this was being written, a glorious thing was heard over the radio: "We could be looking at much warmer temperatures for the weekend." It looks like lacrosse will be practicing outside soon. Typical Rhode Island weather.

Rhode Island takes a beating

Winter of '94

Geoff Ayoub
Contributing writer

As students began their day, you could see it on their faces. It was a look of the deepest, darkest, despair. It was worse than the loss of a loving pet, worse than swinging at a third strike in the dirt, worse even, then being stuck at Grandma's for dinner and missing new episodes of 'Beverly Hills' and 'Melrose' because she only gets the Spanish channel.

It is the recurring nightmare that has kept RWU students, and the rest of the eastern part of the country, in fear of going to bed at night because of what they may wake up too. The nightmare is... (Note: Due to severe subject matter, parental discretion is advised when considering letting younger audiences read further) SNOW!

Now that those with heart ailments have been revived, we can continue. For the past two months, New England has been pummeled with snow like a rookie boxer fighting the champ. The student body here has felt these punches as heavily as anyone. A storm comes along and drops a foot of fluffy white stuff on us like a stiff right hook. Then, when all seems lost, the next day turns out to be fifty degrees; saved by the bell. But just when things begin to look up, and we remember that grass is green, Mother Nature delivers another mighty blow.

Campus has been nothing but an ice rink for most of this time. Tem-

peratures go above and below freezing like a yo-yo, first melting the snow into slush, and then freezing it into ruts of ice. It is not an unfamiliar sight to see a car struggling to make it up the hill

nice: 'Winter's here, it's lovely.' But now it's just a tired scene."

First year student Claire Balassi agrees. "I can't stand it anymore. Winter seems like it's lasted forever. I'd give anything to lie on a sunny

Frost's nose nipping.

"It really doesn't bother me," says sophomore Lori Beyers, a resident assistant in Cedar Hall. "I live in Connecticut and am used to it. Where I live, it doesn't get warm until the end of April anyway. Besides, I like snow."

Sophomore Alison Purvis seems to like the surroundings as well. "It's awesome for skiing. And besides, it's only one season."

The inclement weather has not disrupted the nightlife however. Many popular hangouts report no slump in business. "You can walk in on any given night and find the place nearly full, especially Thursday through Saturday," says a bartender at the Common Pub on Wood St. "The snow hasn't seemed to stop those from having fun."

"It takes the nip out of the cold," says junior Stephen Brobston. "Also, when you're cooped up all day, you feel the need to go out and interact with the friends you haven't seen."

Well, we need not worry about being unable to have a good time, for, like the Ice Ages of old, the weather cannot last forever. Just think, in a month or so, the sun will be shining, the birds will be singing, and a young man's fancy will be turning to love. Of course, nine months after that we will be dragging out the snow shovels again. Says junior Khri Tabaknek, "Typical Rhode Island weather. It doesn't get any better than this."



from Willow Hall, tires spinning wildly on the ice. For some students on campus, Spring Break's warm destinations cannot arrive too soon and the phrase "This weather sucks!" has become quite common.

"I'm sick of it," says junior Bryan McKenna. "The first snowfall was

beach."

Most of the students feel this way. Many blame it on the fact that, for the most part, there has been a lack of snow in recent years, and now nature is getting its revenge. However, there are some that do not mind Jack

A trip to study in Moscow



In support of the graduate students

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Student Life decides that, All the law students did was send in their deposit. To say that law students are old enough to find their own housing is idiotic. We were all the new people here once weren't we? Those of us who chose to live on campus as freshmen did this for one main reason, to meet people. What better way for the law students to meet their peers then to live at Almeida.

Social interaction with law students shouldn't be expected. At twenty five years of age and older I don't think any of us will want to spend our time with undergraduates. For those of you who are freshmen and sophomores complaining about not knowing any law students I'm not quite sure why you really care. It doesn't seem likely to me that law students are going to

start hanging out in Dorm II with a bunch of eighteen and nineteen year olds.

I hope that what I have written has opened up the minds of some of the undergraduates who had bad feelings towards the Law School. I think we all need to realize how beneficial this law school is not only to the reputation of our university, but also to all of our degrees. It has been too long that RWU has been called Rodger Dodger Day Care, by many. I for one would like this reputation terminated. If we want others to have respect for our university, we need to first take pride in it. It is too bad that the undergraduate students of RWU are too busy feeling "left out" to truly appreciate the value of the Law School.

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Perception of RWU students

Julie Collins
Staff writer

A couple of students having coffee at Peaberrys may feel no threat of dislike by a Bristol couple at the next table, but if those same students were to park their car in front of that couple's house on their way to a Friday night party, it would be a different story.

To some they may be boisterous party animals who detract from this peaceful, oceanside, Rhode Island community, but to many, the students of Roger Williams University are a welcome addition to Bristol.

Paul D'Amico, a former military officer, says he didn't realize the college was here when he first moved to Bristol nearly a year ago. When he did learn of R.W.U., he was surprised at what he learned.

"I expected the students to be a bunch of drunken, obnoxious, rowdies but I came to find them to be crazy in a good sense; they're very friendly, conversational, normal college students who like to have a good time," said D'Amico, a State Street resident. "It's just too bad Bristol is so full of turkeys, like the cops."

It seems logical that most local businesses would have fairly positive outlook on the university and its students because of the additional business they bring in.

"I honestly think the students of Roger Williams are wonderful. We've never had a problem with them," said Michelle Mello, an employee at Duffy's Corner Store on Hope Street. "We're proud to have the university in our town, and the students coming in and out of the store is very good for us."

Rosie Lemieux, an employee at Purity, a laundromat on Metacom Avenue, says the students she's been in contact with have been "very polite and seem like very nice kids."

"A lot of kids from the college come in to do their laundry, and I laugh because a lot of them have no idea what they are doing, I feel so bad, I want to help them," Lemieux laughed. "I was young once, I know what it's like to start out on your own."

But do the younger folk of Bristol have a different image of Roger Williams University and its students? Some Mount Hope High students,

graduates and other Bristol youth feel they simply "blend" with the students of R.W.U., but some seem to feel that the students take away from what is rightfully theirs.

"I like having Roger Williams here because it is a big party school," said 19-year-old Todd Eaton. Eaton, a Bristol High School graduate says having the university in town makes for a lot more parties in the town of Bristol.

18-year-old Stacey Cranston says she thinks it's hard for most to distinguish

thinks the students take away what belongs to young Bristol residents.

"They take away our apartments, even in the summertime," Cesta said. "And there'd be a lot more jobs for us if they weren't here too."

Bristol is not the only town affected by the students of R.W.U. Many students who live off campus reside in Portsmouth, some in Warren, and some in other towns as well. Some of their neighbors may not have the most favorable opinions of them, especially if when the weekend rolls around they are kept awake by loud music and drunken screams.

"We have college students a few houses down the street from us and they have not been a bother to us, yet," said Annette Chauvin, a Warren resident. "They have parties, but there's usually just enough cars so they are not taking up the whole street."

The residents of Bristol and surrounding towns are affected by the university in different ways, therefore creating several different images of Roger Williams and the students who attend classes there.

"From what I've seen, the students at the college are an outgoing, decent, respectable part of the Bristol Community," said Richard Clark, a Hope Street resident, and a frequent customer at Peaberrys. "They are a welcome addition to the town."

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*Richard Clarke
resident of Hope St.*

the youth of Bristol from the students of R.W.U.

"No one can really tell the difference between most college students and high school students," Cranston said. "The cops are no harder, or no more lenient busting our parties then they are on busting college parties."

Mike Cesta, a 21-year-old graduate of Bristol High School, says he

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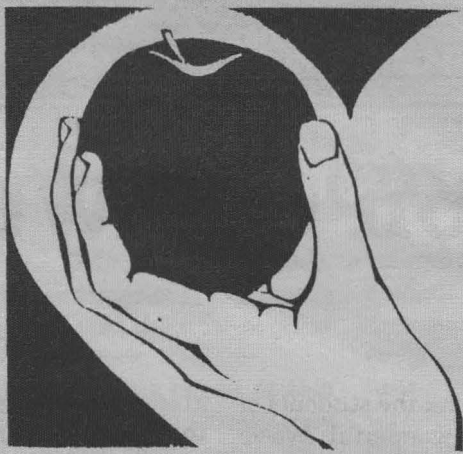
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Rae Polca

My Lieutenant Brother

I can remember just yesterday, Big Brother,
when you would play outside for hours
with your plastic soldiers
in the old sandbox,
the one with the chipping green paint.

You set up battles and lit fires
and made sounds of war
with your lips pressed together
creating your own explosions.

And then you'd come inside - victorious -
with courageous eyes
and Mom would make you a bologna sandwich,
cut into four small pieces.

But now you're playing for longer hours
And now you're playing for keeps
And you no longer control the cracks and the
booms
And the plastic soldiers have all turned to flesh

but you, my Lt. brother, still hold that boyish
smile
from yesterday
behind the uniform and stripes
And you mask the pain, and the fear,
and the lonely so well...

If only I could see your eyes,
Lieutenant Brother,
if only I could see your eyes.

Sue Nacey

The Caterpillar

Elvira used to be normal.
That is
until Marge took over.
Marge was not a happy sort
and she certainly wasn't all that sad.
And she was not capable of much of anything
either.

First Marge dyed Elvira's hair black
and her eyes bright red
then she began to say things like
Simon is a good cat.
But I think he's strange.
Look at how he stops running down the hall
and pops up and down in place.

Marge lay on a grassy hill in the dark
and looked at the sky.
Simon is talking to me she said.
He is there in the sky.
Simon would like me to send him a plate of
mushrooms and hydrox.

But Simon
said Marge
you wouldn't like the taste.
Believe me
she said
because I know.

Oh yes
she said
I know all too well.

Where is Elvira
said Marge.
Where did she go.
And where is Marge
thought Marge.
And as the trees began to walk towards her
saluting along the way
Marge looked for Elvira in the sky.
She was not among the clouds
nor was she frolicking with the moon.
In fact
she was nowhere anymore.
Simon is a good cat said Marge.

Nancy Reid

My Brother's Home

I sit in this tree for hours
when I can. That is,
when I'm "self-employed,"
residing at my brother's tiny
home.

There's a door
and two windows open
in my brother's home.
Across from my tree,
the cement foundation is
anchored
in the earth like counterfeit
pennies lying
at the bottom of a wishing
well.

On most days,
I like to be alone in my tree
with silence so calm, I float
upon it;s surface because it is
all
that I can do to keep
from drowning.

My naked feet are born
like surrogate limbs
into the deep hollow curves.
A breeze carries loose strands
of hair
across my face, as my body
sinks
all too naturally into objects
that do not exist.

Attention Poets:

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Come on feel the Lemonheads at RWU

By Christopher Zammarelli
Contributing Writer

The Lemonheads have been announced as RWU's Spring Semester Major Event by the Concerts/Major Events Committee of the Campus Entertainment Network. Long popular on college campuses, the Boston-based trio will perform at the Paolino Recreation Center on April 16.

While their following has slowly been building over the past decade, it was a cover of Suzanne Vega's "Luka" that first pushed them into the spotlight of popular music. Thus a small buzz was generated when the group released It's A Shame About Ray in 1992.

As fate would have it, the Lemonheads' popularity was further extended not by any single on the album (not even the extremely cool "My Drug Buddy," although the middle word was deleted from CD singles). Rather, it was another cover, one that wasn't even on It's A Shame About Ray.

For the twenty-fifth anniversary of the film "The Graduate," the Lemonheads were asked to cover a song from the movie, Simon and Garfunkel's hit "Mrs. Robinson." A video for the song appeared at the end of the anniversary edition videocassette of the film (featuring lead crooner Evan Dando wearing a name

tag that said, "My name is Luka"). Subsequent pressings of It's A Shame About Ray featured the now-popular song as the last track.

Music journalists began at this time to do two things. First, they played up Dando's relationship with ex-Blake Babies Juliana Hatfield, whose Trio had some success this past year with the song "My Sister" and the album Become What You Are. Hatfield had played bass on It's A Shame About Ray, an example of how close the two friends are.

An other example would be a recent article in Spin magazine called "Pillow Talk," a discussion between the two about life, love, dreams, and music. It's hard to find an article about Dando that doesn't make some

reference to Hatfield (this one included).

Second, music journalists began to play up Dando's image as an "alterno-hunk," giving the surging alternative rock scene its own sex symbol. Dando himself tries to play down this image, but it has become a hard one to shake.

The Lemonheads will arrive at RWU to support their latest release Come On Feel The Lemonheads. The title is not reference to early eighties pop-metal sensations Quiet Riot, but to early seventies glam-rock sensations Slade, who recorded the original version of "Cum On Feel The Noize."

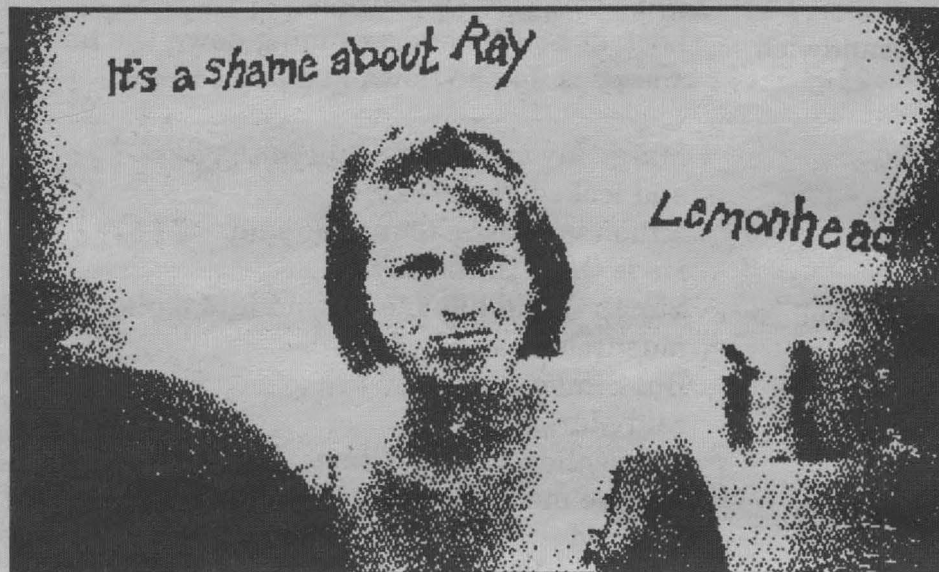
The fact that the trio would admire Slade is probably the biggest hint that The Lemonheads don't really be-

long in the alternative category they're so often lumped in. In fact, their guitar-pop rock sensibilities make them a lot more mainstream than the contemporaries with whom they're often identified.

The first single from their new album, "Into Your Arms," is another cover tune. However, the original is a little more obscure than "Luka" or "Mrs. Robinson"; Love Positions performed it on their 1989 album Billiepeebup.

The rest of the album is now-typical Lemonheads fodder: bright, crisp guitar work, steady, even bass work, and some pretty eclectic and cool drumming. Of course, the focal point of this album, as with the last, is Evan Dando, his dreamy, sometimes surreal lyrics and his dreamy, sometimes surreal singing. Dando has become the Lemonhead; he is, after all, the only original member of the band left. In fact, it's hard to find mention of the other two Lemonheads, both of whom have been in the band since "Mrs. Robinson" was recorded.

In the end, the music media is simply physically and mentally attracted to the beautiful and charming Dando. And why not? As he put himself, "A ship without a rudder is like a ship without a rudder." Take the Lemonheads boat analogy as far as you like, say to the Paolino Recreation Center on April 16. Tickets will be on sale after Spring Break.



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Growing Artists at RWU

By Kristin McCobb
Contributing Writer

If you have ever walked through the art building, then you must be familiar with the smell of clay, the colors, and the intense gaze of the artists. The art students at RWU let their creativity flow through their mind and into their work.

Senior art major Dina Baris has been studying painting for a year and a half. Dina will graduate this May with a concentration in graphic design but enjoys the freedom of painting. "I can express myself much more through painting than I can through graphic design," said Dina, "It is a lot of personal feelings." In the next year she will make the decision to stay with painting or further her knowledge in graphic design.

Most of Dina's paintings use a variety of blue and purple contrasting against the reds, oranges, and yellows. "Colors are my favorite part about painting, I do a lot with cool color, warm color. I like the way they vibrate off each other. If you put them together, one will come forward while the other will go back." Dina is still in an experimental stage since she has only been painting for a short time but she is happy where she is right now. "I know I have a long way to go."

"Art for me is more than a way of escaping from everyday life. Some people use art to get things off their mind or to express anger or emotions, but it is more than

that for me. I'm hoping that, it will become my career because that's what I am happy doing." Dina eventually hopes to teach painting along with being a fine artist.

Tim Dahler, a senior art major, began painting six years ago. Though his main concentration is painting, he does print making as well. Tim, like Dina, enjoys playing with colors. His large oil on canvas paintings contain all the colors of the rainbow, "I always think there aren't enough colors."

Tim will graduate with a minor in Computer Information Systems. He hopes to start a business designing art software, computer painting programs, and making interactive CD's. These programs will enable

into his art. The painting he is presently working on will cost \$150.00 in paints and a good brush is about \$30. RWU provides the canvas.

Tim paints at home and with other students in the art building. "When we are in the loft together we are always asking each other questions, giving criticisms and helping each other out."

David Constantino began sculpting in an art class in 1993. He has always enjoyed pencil drawing and pottery, now he expresses himself through his sculptures.

David combines nature with human form in his work. "I like to express not only sensuality but spirituality behind my pieces in relation to nature." David would like the viewer to find their connectiveness

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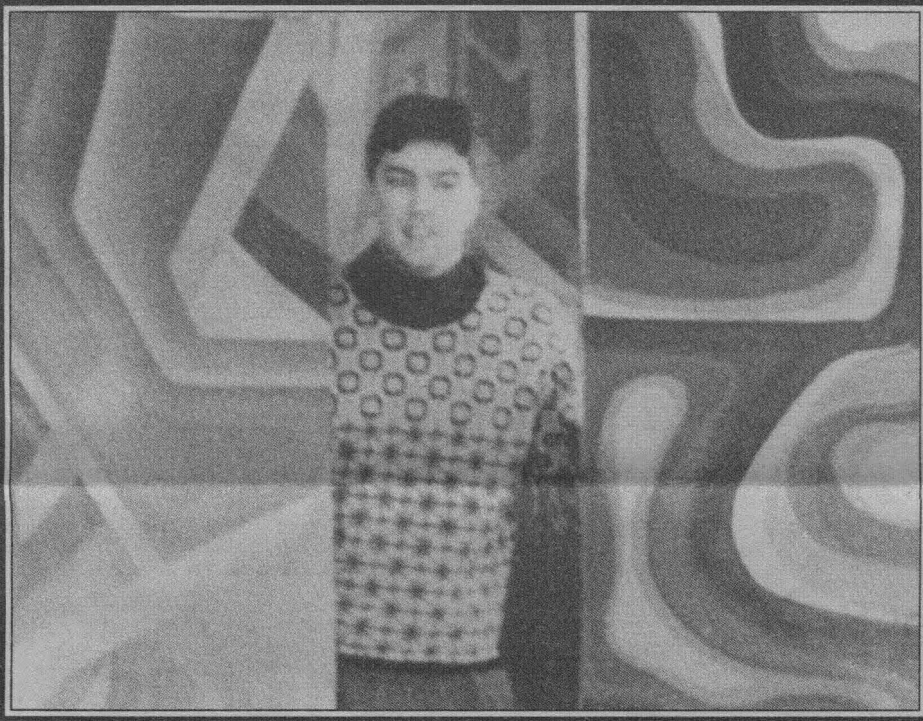
many of David's sculptures represent women and their unity with the earth. "I spend a lot of my time in nature and my artwork is a big reflection of a part of me."

David plans to continue this theme in his art and would like to teach art history. "The reason why I chose to continue on this path is because my artwork is going to help me find my true identity, and to also understand the nature of my substance."

Grandgeorge Encourages Art on Campus

William Grandgeorge, dean of fine arts pointed to a bare space on the wall in his office and said, "I would very much like to have a student's work hung here." Grandgeorge's office is not the only wall on campus that is bare. How can we all work together and fill the bare walls at RWU?

"I am sure the students would be happy to donate art to the school," said art student, Tim Dahler, "I have noticed that each class that comes in gets better and better." "I would suggest that representatives from the art club go and speak to the campus beautification committee. If a student is willing to frame their work so it is ready to hang on a wall, I am sure that there are places on this campus that would welcome it," said Grandgeorge.



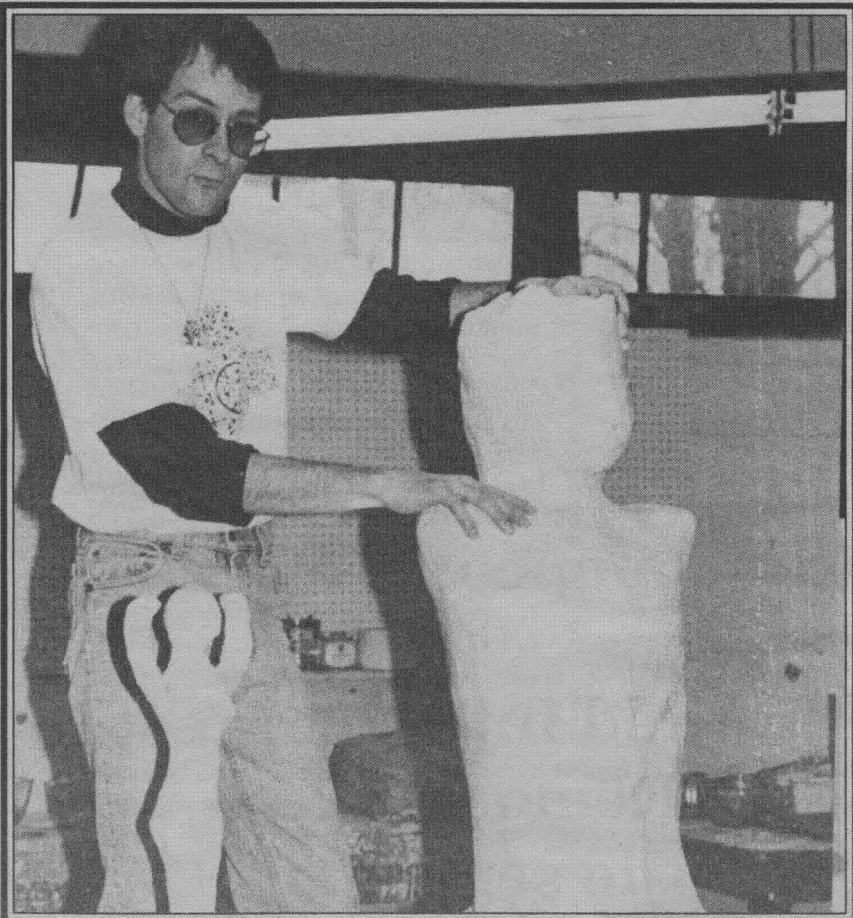
Tim Dahler, a senior, and art major, stands among his paintings.

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"I like my work to be different," said Tim. He does not title his paintings and each piece is different. Tim puts long hours and a lot of money

with nature while looking at his work.

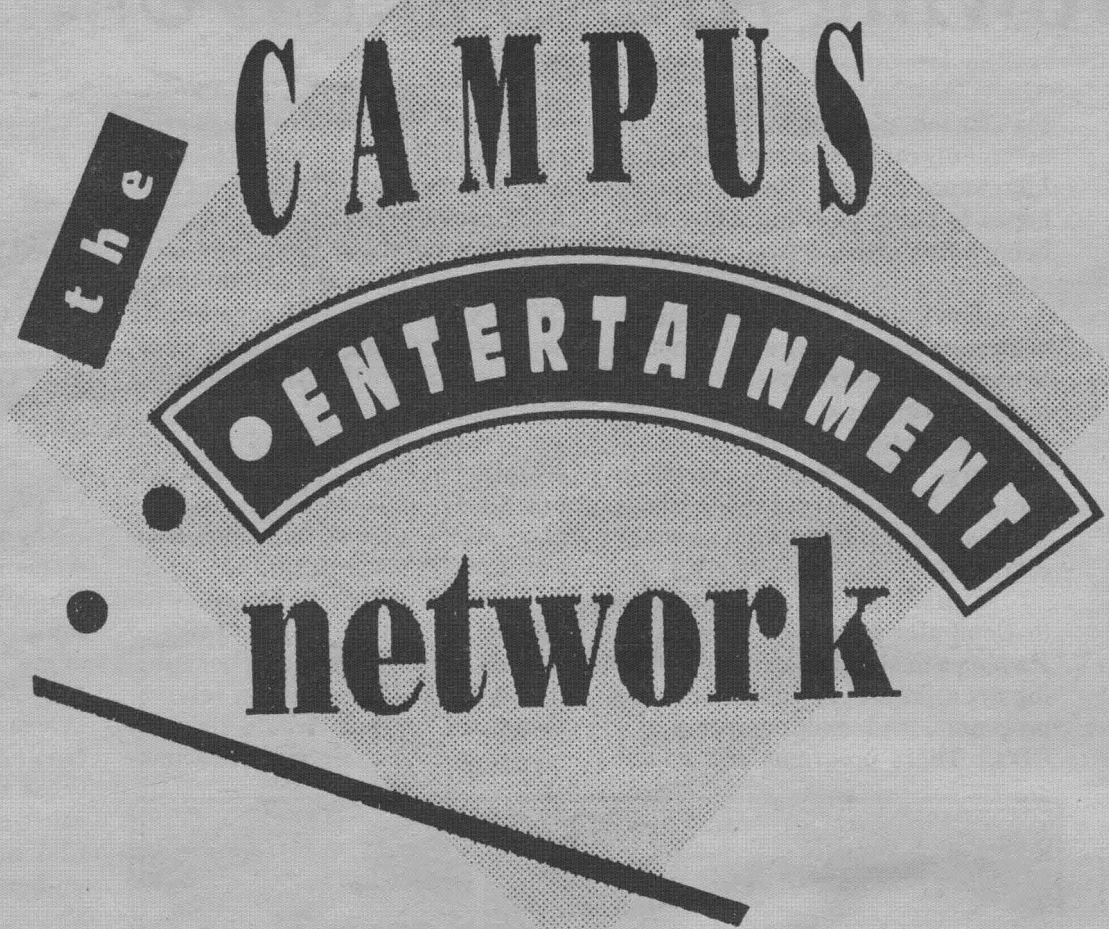
David's work greatly reflects his Wicce religion. His mythological background helps him to put emphasis on the central figure in his religion, great mother goddess. David uses this symbolism when sculpting.



David Constantino working with his sculptures.



Dina Baris, a graphic design major, stands with her most recent paintings.



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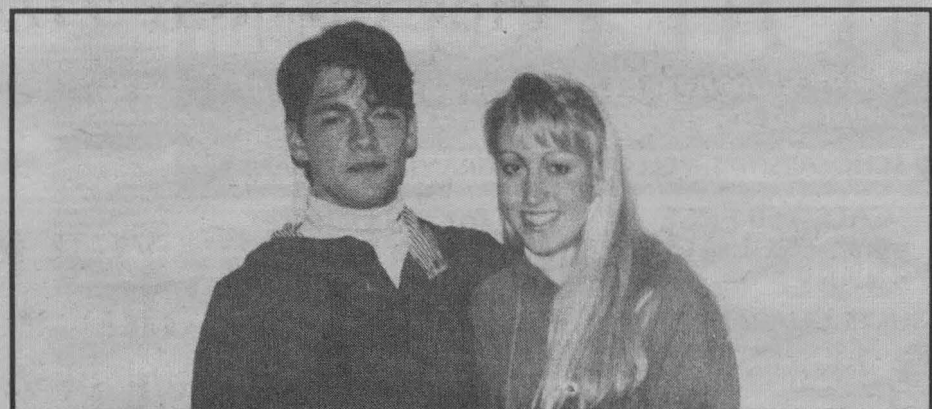
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Baseball team finally underway

By Justin Auciello
Staff Writer

Rumors about firing of head coach Al DeSalvo untrue

Finally, with all the controversy seemingly behind them, the RWU baseball squad had their first team practice on March eighth. The team and its coach had travelled separate roads thus far, but now say they have cleared up the communication problems and are ready to play some baseball.

The main problem the team has dealt with is the rumors surrounding the possible firing of fifth year head coach Al DeSalvo. "Those rumors are not true," says Athletic Director Bill Baird.

"At this point in time I have no intention of making a change," Baird said. "Al hasn't been doing the job I expect from him yet, but until we met [last Tuesday] he really didn't fully understand what that was. If things go the way I'd like them to this year, then I'll be happy."

The problems that led to the rumors, started when the team had trouble fund raising for their spring trip, which was in turn canceled. "The coach became upset with the players' lack of involvement," says Baird. "And the players have been upset with the coach because he wasn't holding any practices."

But now that the air is clear, the team is ready to "put it behind us and move on," according to Coach DeSalvo.

The other problem which has plagued all RWU spring teams is the lack of practice space. Due to the

weather, all teams have been forced inside and must share three courts in the gym.

"I don't like it at all," says Coach DeSalvo. "It's typical of the new administration, though. I understand though they're trying to be fair to everyone."

One of the three baseball captains, Mike McNamara, agrees that the schedule is erratic, "but we'll deal with it just like the other teams. It's unfair to everybody."

"Our attitude is very positive now," says McNamara, alluding to past problems. "We're just excited to finally get things going."

Coach DeSalvo and McNamara mostly agree on how they think this season will turn out, after last year's 5-12 finish. "We have moderate goals this year," says McNamara. "We have a lot of new faces and we're a couple weeks behind in practice time so right now we're just going to take things as they come. I'd say we'll finish some where around .500."

Both also say that the strength of the team is in their fielding and speed. "We also have three strong captains," says DeSalvo. "Mike, Greg Brown, and Mark Follo do a great job leading the team."

The team's main weakness is power hitting. "We're a team that executes well though," says Coach DeSalvo. "We can make up for our hitting by mixing things up with a lot of bunts and hit and runs."

McNamara says the other

weakness is in the pitching staff, which is mostly young. Aaron Hirsh, a junior, is expected to have a great pitching season though, according to Coach DeSalvo.

The team's first game is March

22nd at home vs. Gordon College. The season's first pitch will be thrown at 2:30, and McNamara wants a great turnout. "When the fans are there it makes the game more exciting for everybody. Hopefully, everyone will come out for the game."

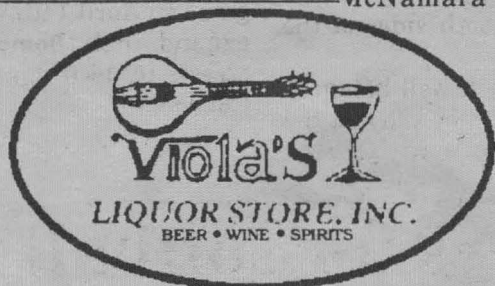


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Lax team shooting for fourth straight championship

By Greg Romans
Contributing Writer

As spring time approaches the Roger Williams Lacrosse Team is preparing for what looks like another championship season. The Hawks will open the '94 season looking to capture their fourth straight league championship and an invitation to the 1994 ECAC play-offs.

The lacrosse team has posted a most impressive 34-5 record in the past three seasons. The Hawks have not lost a home game in over three years giving them a winning streak of 18-0 going into this season. This is the best record posted by any team in the history of RWU.

Last season the team finished 10-1 with their only loss coming from nationally ranked Connecticut College. This outstanding play has earned the lacrosse team national recognition including appearances in Lacrosse Magazine as well as respect around the league. The team started out with a lot of young talent a few years ago and has evolved into the first team to establish a winning tradition at RWU.

As the Hawks enter the 94 season they feel confident in continuing their winning tradition and securing a fourth straight league championship and a bid to play in the ECAC tournament. The team last appeared in the ECAC play-offs in 1992 when they faced one of New England's best teams, Williams College. Williams was ranked number 17 in the country at the time. That did not seem to bother the Hawks, who played a great game losing, only by a few goals. The team has been anxious at another opportunity for a play-off berth ever since.

To help the teams chances at securing a spot in the tournament, coach Mark Ford has strengthened

the schedule by adding games with more of New England's best teams such as Trinity College, Wesleyan University, and Connecticut College. Ford feels if his team wins all three games against the stronger teams his squad will receive the much desired invitation to the ECAC play-offs. In order for this to happen, Ford says the team is going to have to play great on defense.

This year's team center and strong point will be the relentless defense led by senior Rick Alderman. Alderman has earned All-League honors each season and is looked upon once again to lead the defense this year.

"This is my last year and I feel stronger and more confident going into this season," said Alderman. "My job out there is to guide the other team top scorer. If I shut him down it will put my team in a good position to win the game."

Alderman will be a key factor in the success of the 94 season, as will senior captain David Wojdyl. Wojdyl is coming off a record breaking season in which he earned All league honors and set a new school record with 12 consecutive wins in goal. Wojdyl feels this year will be another successful season for the Hawks.

"I feel confident with this years squad," he said. "It's the most balance team I've seen in my career at Roger Williams."

Wojdyl will be standing between the pipes for his third season and will be counted on heavily to help guide the team to its destination.

On offense the team will be looking to replace all time leading goal scorer Terry Kelly. With the loss of TK, Ford has tremendous confidence in senior captain Pat Cooney and

junior Mike Breard to step up and hit the net.

"Pat is extremely quick," said coach Ford. "He is a great feeder and works really well together with Mike."

Cooney has played mostly mid-field for the Hawks but teammates say he is really stepping up with the transition to attack.

Breard, who has improved tremendously each season with hard work and dedication is expected to continue his success in 94. Ford describes Breard as "a great goal scorer and finisher." Working with Cooney and Breard is senior Tom Penny and several younger players who will be looked upon to help add to the scoring. Although this is the first season working together, coach Ford expects his attack to be just as effective as last years.

In the mid-field, senior captain Chad Meisner will be seen helping out on both offense and defense. Meisner is a solid two-way player who likes to play a physical game.

"Chad is strong in every phase of the game," said Ford. "He plays a solid game on both sides of the field."

Meisner will be counted on to continue his physical play in the mid-field as well contributing to the offense. He is a hard worker both on and off the field and is expected to finish his career with another great season. Other key players to Hawks mid-field will be junior Warren Danzenbaker and sophomore Thomas Burke. The teams mid-field will be strong as usual this year possessing talent on both sides of the ball.

Along with a well balanced solid group of returning players the coach has compiled another success-

ful recruiting class to continue the winning tradition at RWU. Coach Ford describes the new comers to the team as "hard workers with great attitudes," and feels this is a major role in the success of recruiting each season.

"By establishing a winning tradition, it has made it easier for the better quality players to choose Roger Williams," Ford said.

He admits he has spent a lot of time on the phone, but it has proven to certainly pay off. Through spending a lot of his time talking to new players and creating interest in the school, Ford is getting more quality players which will secure his teams chances at staying on top of the league for many years to come.

In addition to solid recruiting classes and a team filled with hard working dedicated players, Ford says the team owes a lot of its success to the tremendous support for the fans coming to the games.

The crowd has been great for us," Ford said. "We love to play in the front of the school and the crowd. It really gives the guys an extra boost out there."

Both Ford and the players are anxious to start the 94 season. The team has set their destination for another opportunity to play in the ECAC tournament. The team is strong and experienced on both sides of the field which should prove to be the ingredients to another championship season. The Hawks will open up the season playing their first six games on the road but you can catch the first home game on April 14th when they look to expand their home game winning streak to 19-0 against Assumption College.

Attitude and togetherness are keys for softball team

By Wayne Shulman
Sports Editor

New women's head softball coach Lee Wilber wears a hat that reads "Lee's Gals". Under Wilber, Lee's Gals went to three straight A.S.A. Ocean State League and State titles. If things go Wilber's way this season, you can expect another hat that reads Lee's Lady Hawks.

Wilber said his goal this season as new head is to win, especially the conference games. Wilber said all the girls will get in the games but more will be in the non-conference games. He said during the course of the season everyone will get some playing time.

The team has had a full week of practice indoors and Wilber said everything is going very good. He said he is going to have them run more so they don't goof off. Wilber said he hasn't minded practicing indoors but he wants to get outside. He said he can get a lot accomplished inside but it is not like being outside. While inside the team has been practicing hitting to the infield and outfield. Wilber said right now he has good pitching in senior captain Windy Anzalone, junior Jacqui Robinson and sophomore Sherri Aceto.

Wilber said he is getting to know all the girls as well as their names. He promised them he would know all of their names by the first game of the season, which is at home against Curry College.

"I am very happy with the team, I really like them and it is going to be a nice team," said Wilber. "I don't know what the opposition is going to

around but when they are not practicing they do fool around, so it is working out pretty good," said Wilber.

Wilber said the attitude of the team is very good, he took the seniors aside and told them they will be running the team. He said he is big on seniority so they will be doing a lot of the work and he doesn't want any negative vibes from the team when they are on the field or in practice.

"I want everything on a positive note," said Wilber.

Wilber said he put senior captain Audra Cooke officially in charge of making a lot of noise. Cooke was the teams starting third base-man for most of last season and was selected to play in the RIAIAW All-Star game.

For the first week there were only three seniors, Cooke, Sandy Wynne and Melissa Tartaglione (Tags) so they were named tri-captains. Then Anzalone showed up and Wilber said he didn't know what to do. He said now the team will have four captains that's all. He said if it ever came to the point, that there were six or eight captains, the team would have to vote on the captains. He said all four captains are great kids.

Tartaglione said about the four captains "Wilber and new assistant

coach are stressing that nobody is better, we are equal and nobody is better than anyone else."

"Wilber and new assistant coach Steve Pappas seem to be a positive move for the team and it is going to be a change for a better," said Tartaglione.

"Both coaches just want to do what is best for us and it is going to take time for everyone to get used to their coaching styles," said Tartaglione.

Wilber said roughly 23 women tried out for the team but it was soon cut down to 18. He said a couple quit and a couple he said jokingly "thought they were going to get hurt."

"The team has a lot of togetherness but I told them there would have to be a lot of it right from the start," said Wilber.

Tartaglione said last year there was a problem with cliques. She said this year, both coaches have already stressed a positive attitude and to stay away from cliques. She said it seems like the team is close knit this year with more of a team effort and individual effort.

Wilber said overall the kids are getting along well, there are no problems but he hopes the team can start having practices outside.

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captain Melissa Tartaglione

be like so I really can't say how we are going to do but I like this team."

Wilber said the teams personality is excellent. He said a team has to have a good personality or they cry a lot on the bench.

He said they have adapted to his coaching styles but they can adapt to anything, especially because they are young.

"We seem to be hitting it off pretty good. They know when they practice I don't want them fooling



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